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IN RE APPLICATION OF

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APPLICATION NO: 10/807089

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FOR: MICROBIAL TRANSFORMATION METHOD FOR THE PREPARATION
OF AN EPOTHILONE

ART UNIT: 1651

EXAMINER: LILLING, HERBERT J

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AMENDMENT AND REMARKS

Sir:

The accompanying Amendment and Remarks are presented in response to the Office Action dated August 28, 2006, having a three-month shortened statutory response period set to expire November 28, 2006. Applicants respectfully request introduction of the amendments to the claims and consideration of the remarks below.